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S.B. No. 1003

Substitute the following for S.B. No. 1003:

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C.S.S.B. No. 1003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the issuance of school district teaching permits to
persons who teach career and technical education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 21.055, Education Code, is amended by
amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (d-1) to read as
follows:

(b) To be eligible for a school district teaching permit
under this section, a person must hold a baccalaureate degree.

~~[This subsection does not apply to a person who will teach only
career and technology education.]~~

(d-1) Subsections (b), (c), and (d) do not apply to a person
who will teach only noncore academic career and technical education
courses. A school district board of trustees may issue a school
district teaching permit to a person who will teach courses only in
career and technical education based on qualifications certified by
the superintendent of the school district. Qualifications must
include demonstrated subject matter expertise such as professional
work experience, formal training and education, holding an active
professional relevant industry license, certification, or
registration, or any combination of work experience, training and
education, or industry license, certification, or registration, in
the subject matter to be taught. The superintendent of the school
district shall certify to the board of trustees that a new employee

1 has undergone a criminal background check and is capable of proper
2 classroom management. A school district shall require a new
3 employee to obtain at least 20 hours of classroom management
4 training and to comply with continuing education requirements as
5 determined by the board of trustees. A person may teach a career
6 and technical education course immediately upon issuance of a
7 permit under this subsection. Promptly after employing a person
8 who qualifies under this subsection, the board of trustees shall
9 send to the commissioner a written statement identifying the
10 person, the course the person will teach, and the person's
11 qualifications to teach the course.

12 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016
13 school year.

14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.